

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (Currently amended): An interlabial pad having a size, a weight and flexibility so as to be pinched and held partially or totally in between the labia without forcing, the pad comprising:

a body side face orientated toward a body side; and

an opposite side face to the body side face orientated toward a garment side,

wherein said opposite side face to the body side face has a low friction shape with fine changes on its surface to reduce resisting force when sliding with another face, which includes the same face of the low friction shape and can each make right and left phase shifts when the interlabial pad is folded; and

a mini sheet piece which is attached to the opposite side face of said interlabial pad, said mini sheet piece is projected toward the opposite body side when said interlabial pad is folded, and facing surfaces of the opposite side face to the body side face.

2. (Original): The interlabial pad according to claim 1, wherein said low friction shape comprises a shape having a substantially small contact area between sliding two faces.

3. (Previously presented): The interlabial pad according to claim 1, wherein said low friction shape comprises a group of fine convex shapes.

4. (Original): The interlabial pad according to claim 3, wherein said fine convex shape is an emboss portion processed by an emboss former.

5. (Original): The interlabial pad according to claim 4, wherein an emboss rate of said fine convex shape is at least 1 % and not exceeding 50%.

6. (Previously presented): The interlabial pad according to claim 1, wherein said low friction shape is made of a fiber assembly.

7. (Previously presented): The interlabial pad according to claim 6, wherein said fiber assembly is made of nonwoven fabric.

8. (Previously presented): The interlabial pad according to claim 1, wherein said opposite side face to the body side face is made of a low friction material.

9. (Previously presented): The interlabial pad according to claim 1, wherein a lubricant is applied to said opposite side face to the body side face.

10. (Canceled):

11. (Previously presented): The interlabial pad according to claim 1, wherein said interlabial pad is an interlabial pad for an incontinence.

12. (Previously presented): The interlabial pad according to claim 1, wherein said interlabial pad is an interlabial pad for absorbing vaginal discharge.

13. (Canceled).

14. (Previously presented): The interlabial pad according to claim 2, wherein said low friction shape comprises a group of fine convex shapes.

15. (Previously presented): The interlabial pad according to claim 2, wherein said low friction shape is made of a fiber assembly.

16. (Previously presented): The interlabial pad according to claim 2, wherein said opposite side face to the body side face is made of a low friction material.

17. (Previously presented): The interlabial pad according to claim 2, wherein a lubricant is applied to said opposite side face to the body side face.

18. (Previously presented): The interlabial pad according to claim 2, wherein said interlabial pad comprises a mini sheet piece which is attached to the opposite side face of said interlabial pad.

19. (Previously presented): The interlabial pad according to claim 2, wherein said interlabial pad is an interlabial pad for an incontinence.

20. (Previously presented): The interlabial pad according to claim 2, wherein said interlabial pad is an interlabial pad for absorbing vaginal discharge.

21 (New): An interlabial pad having a size, a weight and flexibility so as to be pinched and held partially or totally in between the labia without forcing, the pad comprising:

a body side face oriented toward a body side;

an opposite side face, opposite the body side face and oriented toward a garment side, said opposite side face having a low friction shape with fine changes on its surface to reduce resisting force when sliding with another face, which includes the same face of the low friction shape when the interlabial pad is folded; and

a mini sheet piece which is attached to the opposite side face, said mini sheet piece being projected toward the opposite body side when said interlabial pad is folded, and facing surfaces of the opposite side face.